

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:

Tsuyahiko SHIMADA

Serial No. 10/784,977

Group Art Unit: 2176

Confirmation No. 8981

Filed: February 25, 2004

Examiner: Manglesh Patel

For: DOCUMENT PROCESSING APPARATUS AND STORAGE MEDIUM

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed April 6, 2006, and having a period for response set to expire on July 6, 2006. A Petition for a three-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to October 6, 2006.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.